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GEKKO'S

Barbour's least gecko

Sphaerodactylus torrei

A small, diurnal gecko from south-eastern Cuba with a marked difference between the sexes: the male has a yellow head and a bright orange tail, while the female is pale with dark crossbands. *Sphaerodactylus torrei* grows to only about 8 cm including the tail, lays one egg at a time and needs small feeder insects and a tightly closed enclosure.

Familie: Sphaerodactylidae

KERNGEGEVENS

HET DIER

Volwassen grootte	**8 cm** totale lengte incl. staart
Levensduur	**5-10 jaar**
Actief	**Overdag**
Levenswijze	**Boombewonend en bodembewonend**
Leefgebied	**Regenwoud**
Moeilijkheidsgraad	**Gevorderd**

VERZORGING

Min. terrarium	**60 × 45 × 45 cm** L × B × H voor 2 volwassen dieren
Temperatuur overdag	**26-28 °C**
Zonneplek	**31-32 °C**
Temperatuur 's nachts	**18-24 °C**
Luchtvochtigheid	**60-80%**
Water	**Waterbak**
UVB	**Aanbevolen** Fergusonzone 1
Voeding	**Insecten en kleine ongewervelden (springstaarten, fruitvliegen)**
Gehouden	**Solitair of in paren**

KWEEK

Voortplanting	**Eierleggend**
Legselgrootte	**1 eieren**
Legsels per jaar	**1-4**
Incubatie	**80-90 dagen** bij 26-28 °C

BESCHERMING EN PAPIEREN

CITES	**Bijlage III**
EU-bijlage	**Bijlage C**
IUCN	**Bedreigd (EN)**

Verzorging in het kort

HET TERRARIUM

A pair of *Sphaerodactylus torrei* can be kept in an enclosure of 60 × 45 × 45 cm (length × width × height). A single animal will manage in somewhat less. The animals are territorial, so keep either one animal or one pair.

TEMPERATUUR

By day the temperature should be 26-28 °C, and a small area may reach 31-32 °C in the summer half of the year. At night the temperature falls to about 24 °C. For a cool winter period the night can be lowered to about 18 °C.

LUCHTVOCHTIGHEID EN WATER

The humidity should be 60-80%. Mist the enclosure daily so that the humidity reaches 70-80%, and let the air dry out a little between mistings. Half of the substrate should be slightly damp, and the rest should be allowed to dry.

VERLICHTING EN UVB

Sphaerodactylus torrei is diurnal, and weak UVB lighting in Ferguson zone 1 is recommended. Use a low-output UVB tube over one half of the enclosure, so there is always shade.

VOEDING

Sphaerodactylus torrei feeds on small, live prey.

GEDRAG EN OMGANG

Sphaerodactylus torrei is territorial and aggressive, so it is kept singly or as one pair with plenty of hiding places and space.

NATUURLIJK VERSPREIDINGSGEBIED

Cuba.